



COLORS Regatta NOTICE OF RACE

June 5 – 6, 2021

Organizing Authority (OA) - Columbia Yacht Club (COLYC)

Chicago, IL, USA

OFFSHORE / DISTANCE / RADIO-CONTROLLED

The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the notice of race (NoR) means that the rule shall not be grounds for protest or request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- a. The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- b. The following **will** apply:
 1. RRS 90.3 (e) shall apply, except that "24 hours" is changed to "72 hours".
 2. US Coast Guard safety requirements and US Sailing Near Shore safety requirements.
 3. One-Design classes that intend to invoke their local class rules shall provide a digital copy of the local class rules to the OA.
 4. A boat shall not operate a drone, while racing.
 5. For the Radio-Controlled (R-C) course, disabled boats shall be recovered at the end of the heat or regatta at the owner's expense. See RRS Appendix E4.2 (e).
 6. [NP][DP] All boat and crew are required to abide by federal, state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as COLYC restrictions with regard to the COVID-19 virus, including but not limited to masking mandate and occupancy requirements for boats of various sizes.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

- a. SIs will be available by May 31st, 2021, at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14422>.
- b. There will be separate SIs for each event.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- a. Notices to competitors and scheduled protests will be posted on the Racing Notice Board located at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14422>.
- b. Notices will also be posted on the unofficial notice board at Columbia Yacht Club; on the rail-deck, just outside the juniors sailing classroom on the sliding door.
- c. [DP] All boats, except those competing in the R-C event, shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 16, 22A, 71, 78 and 80A.
- d. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel for each event will be stated in the sailing instructions (SIs).
 1. The race committee (RC) may report all visual signals displayed by the RC and report OCS boats after the start on the courtesy channel for each circle. Information reported by the RC is provided as a courtesy to competitors. The failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- e. [DP] From the warning signal of the first race of the day until the end of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that is not available to all boats.
- f. Commercial pay services, i.e. XM Radio, SailFlow, PredictWind, are considered to be available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- a. The Colors Regatta is comprised of three events. The events are:
 1. Offshore (generally comprised of larger keelboats)
 2. Distance (can be comprised of any boat that meets the relevant safety requirements)
 3. Radio Controlled (R-C) – DragonForce 65 only
- b. Competitors may register for the Offshore or Distance events in addition to the R-C course.
- c. The regatta is open to all boats of the below class(es), by course specified in NoR 4d:
 1. One-design classes with a minimum of 3 entries. Entrants must meet and follow all class rules, unless modified by the SIs. If there are less than the minimum number of required entries for a class, the OA will assign those boats into appropriate handicap classes. The OA's decision shall be final.
 2. PHRF classes and ORC classes with a current, valid Rating Certificate and a minimum of 3 entries.
 3. Distance singlehanded and doublehanded sailors, with a minimum of 3 entries.

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d. Boats will be divided into classes at each of the 3 events.

| Offshore | Distance | R-C |
|------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| J/88 | PHRF – Spinnaker | DragonForce 65 |
| J/105 | ORC – Spinnaker | |
| J/109 | PHRF – Jib and Main | |
| J/111 | PHRF - Doublehanded | |
| T-10 | PHRF - Singlehanded | |
| Farr 40 | PHRF - 30 and Under | |
| Beneteau 36.7 | | |
| Beneteau 40.7 | | |
| PHRF - Spinnaker | | |
| ORC - Spinnaker | | |

e. Any group of three or more boats, desiring to race as a separate class, may petition the OA for acceptance as a class. Petitions shall be made no later than May 21, 2021. Decision of the OA is final.

f. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration at www.yachtscoring.com together with the required fee listed in the appropriate row of the table located in NoR 5 by June 1, 2021.

g. Boats entering at Yachtscoring.com but not paying the entry fee will be removed before racing begins.

5. FEES

a. Required fees are as follows:

| Course | Entry Fee Paid by June 1 st , 2021 | Refund Amount - if withdrawn by June 1 st , 2021 |
|---------------------|---|---|
| Offshore – Two Days | \$140 | Full Refund |
| Distance – One Day | \$70 | Full Refund |
| Dragon Force 65 | \$15 | Full Refund |

6. CLASSIFICATION

a. World Sailing Regulation 22 applies if national class rules state.

7. ADVERTISING

a. The Regatta is sponsored by Skyway Yacht Works of Chicago, IL.

b. [DP] All competitor or boat advertising shall follow World Sailing Regulation 20.

c. Racing yachts are requested to avoid the display of advertising for competing companies on their boats.

8. SCHEDULE

a. Dates of racing and events:

| Date: | Offshore | Distance | R-C |
|------------------|--|--|--|
| Saturday, June 5 | 1145 Warning Signal – first race | 1100 Warning Signal | 1630 – Competitors’ meeting COLYC Rail Deck. Warning Signal TBD at meeting |
| Sunday, June 6 | 1100 Warning Signal – first race | Reserve day, if day 1 cancelled. 1015 Warning Signal | |
| Sunday, June 6 | 1430 No Warning Signal after this time | | |

b. Maximum number of races for each course:

| | Offshore | Distance | R-C |
|-----------------|----------|----------|--|
| Number of Races | 8 | 1 | To be determined at the competitors’ meeting |

c. For the Offshore Buoy courses, the intent of the RC is to complete as many races as practical each day, which shall not exceed the number of races scheduled.

d. For the Distance course, one race is scheduled for Saturday (June 5). Sunday (June 6) is reserved in the event inclement weather forces cancellation of racing Saturday.

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9. CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT and EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- a. Measurement and weigh-ins will not be conducted by the OA.

10. VENUE AND COURSES

- a. The events to be sailed will be on the waters of Lake Michigan as follows:

| | Offshore | Distance | R-C |
|------------------------|---|---|---|
| Location of Race Event | Start will be east of Monroe Harbor | Start will be east of Monroe Harbor | Off the COLYC Dock, with final decision made at the competitors' meeting. |
| Courses to be sailed | Windward-Leeward type races. Windward offset marks and leeward gates may be used. | One race around a combination of drop marks and fixed marks over several miles. | Courses as determined at the competitors' meeting. |

- b. Location coordinates for each course associated for each event will be designated in the events SIs.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- a. RRS Appendix T is in effect.
 - 1. Rule T1 (b) "30% Scoring Penalty" is changed to "40% Scoring Penalty".
- b. US Sailing prescription Appendix V1 is in effect.

12. SCORING

- a. The scoring system is as follows:
 - 1. For the Offshore, Distance and R-C courses, each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. No score will be excluded.
 - 2. PHRF classes on the Offshore course shall be scored Time-on-Time (TOT).
 - 3. PHRF classes on the Distance course shall be scored Time-on-Distance (TOD).
 - 4. ORC class(es) shall be scored based on course configuration.
- b. For each class, one race completed will constitute a Regatta.

13. SUPPORT BOATS

- a. [DP] While classes are racing, support boats shall stay at least 100 yards from all racing yachts and all race committee vessels.

14. BERTHING

There will be a limited amount of complimentary dockage available at COLYC 6/5 and 6/6 for attending activities at COLYC. Due to specific club rules boats cannot be left unattended overnight on the dock. Non-resident boats that are participating in the NOOD regatta will be offered a 50% discount on dockage fees through June 13, based on availability. Please contact the COLYC Dockmaster Chuck Nevel at Chuck@colyc.org.

15. PRIZES

- a. For classes with more than three boats entered, there will be prizes for the top three finishers in each class.
- b. For classes with three or fewer boats entered, only the first-place finisher for that class will be awarded a prize.
- c. Prizes can be collected at the awards event at COLYC or up to 2 months later from the COLYC office. Distance prizes will be given on Saturday if the race is held that day. Buoy awards given on Sunday.

16. INSURANCE

- a. Each participating boat in the Offshore or Distance courses shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$500,000 per event or the equivalent.
- b. There is no insurance requirement for boats participating in the R-C course. Racing in the R-C course shall be at your own risk for damage and injury. Restitution for damage, replacement, and salvage shall be by arrangement of parties involved in the incident causing damage and/or sinking.

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17. FURTHER INFORMATION

- a. For further information please contact:

Organizing Authority

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18. CONDITION OF PARTICIPATION

- a. Competitors consent to the use by organizing authority of their name, image, photo, voice or visual recordings of their images ("Recordings"), or any statements, whether oral or written, regarding the regatta ("Statements") and for the organizing authority to use, sell, copy, distribute, perform, display, transmit, or otherwise, exploit the foregoing Recordings, Statements and personal identifiers by any means and in any media known or hereafter devised.
- b. Competitors waive any rights of privacy or publicity in connection with the use of their name, Recordings or Statements waive the right to credit or acknowledgement in conjunction with their identity, Recordings or Statements and acknowledge that they shall have no right to inspect or approve any use of their identity, Recordings or Statements.

19. RISK STATEMENT

- a. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. This decision shall include assessment of any risk presented by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- b. The organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, designated Club representatives, and volunteers directly assisting to any events listed in NoR 4d will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION - SOCIAL

- a. General: Reservations are mandatory for post-race events to ensure participant safety. Offshore and Distance Events include entry to post race social activities for Skipper and Crew, providing that reservations are not full. Join the regatta and book reservations early to avoid a situation where reservations have been fully allocated. First 30 boats guaranteed reservations. R-C entrants may purchase social activities for an extra fee. Reservation forms will be available before 4/1/2021 at <https://www.colorsregatta.org/events>. Depending on state and local guidelines that exist in June, the number of guests seated in the aft deck tent may be limited. Once reservations for the tent are full, guests will be seated in other locations around the ship. Reservations are only valid if regatta entry fee is paid at Yachscoring.com. For full details about COLYC policies and guidelines while at the club please visit www.COLYC.org/covid-19.
- b. Saturday night: Regatta participants that make reservations for the post-race awards event will be treated to a wonderful, seated summer BBQ meal, Sierra Nevada Beers and Gosling's Black Seal Rum drinks.
- c. Sunday night: Regatta participants that make reservations for the post-race awards event will be treated to Sierra Nevada Beers, \$20 open pour of Gosling's Rum. A quick order menu will be provided for food with discounts to those that pre-order.